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BASKETBALL

WHENEVER we start anything it is hard going at first, witness the efforts of our football team the first years of its existance. Our girls' basketball team is facing those same difficulties right now. With no indoor court, and with the weather keeping us off the outdoor one the preparation for games has been severely handicapped. In spite of that the team has gone into the games so determined and in such good physical condition that they have given a most honorable account of themselves.

Against these hardplaying big girls at Harmony on their court our girls in their first game, held the score even in the second half and were defeated by a slender margin. At Lincolnton against a very successful fast team of little girls, ours held the lead until the last five seconds, when Lincolnton by a goal, went in the lead to win the game by one point. To have done this after only three practices on an indoor court seems good to us.

Our schedule, as far as planned, is as follows:

Saturday, February 13th, Baptists girls at Thomasville.

Saturday, February 20th, Lincolnton at Barium.

Friday, February 26th, Statesville at Statesville (pending.)

Friday, March 6th, Raleigh Methodists at Greensboro.

We also plan to arrange games with Troutman, Cornelius, and Mitchell College.

Next year we will have an indoor court ourselves, then look out, for we will be playing a lot of these teams on our own court.

We want to commend our girls on their good sportmanship, opposing teams all accord them praise for their good hard clean playing, the officials praise them fo rtheir ready acceptance of penalties and decisions.

MERIT ROLL

First Grade—Clarence Link, John Donaldson, Paul Carnett, Ray Clendenin, Nina Mae Bobbitt.

Second Grade—Garnett Bradley, Newton Brown, Gladys Cartret, Leone East, Basil Kelly, Eston Lackey, Ben Morrow, T. L. O'Kelly, Jr., Irene Shannon, Greek York.

Third Grade—Carl Edwards, Pauline Helms, Mary Belle Lee, Zora Lee, Wilson Lowrance, Graham Long, Phillis Morgan, Katherine Norman, Margaret Pittman, Mack Walton.

Fourth Grade—Hester Beck, Nancy Cable, Dorothy Hayes, Boyce Morgan, Marvin Stone, Mildred Thomas, Elliot Yarborough, Joe Keenan.

Fifth Grade—Maggie Price, Mildred Morrow, Lucile Long, Sarah Donaldson, Cora Lee Helms, Charles Owens, Jimmie Johnston, Mildred Warner.

Sixth Grade—William Perry, Ned MacKay, Alice Craig, Lorena Clark, Ruth Spencer.

Seventh Grade—Annie Hare, Edna Jackins, Nellie Mark, Edna McMillan, Abbie Roper, Julian West.

Special Primary—Janie Roberts, Morris Freeman, Richard Brown.

Special Intermediate—Anna Colvin, Ila Moore.

Ninth Grade—Daisy Belle Torrence.

Tenth Grade—Walter Beattie, Walter Fraley, Catherine Moore.

Eleventh Grade—Glennie Westall, Robert Johnston, John Craig.

LEST WE FORGET

Before we go too far take a good look at this picture, and locate that Bob Estridge with his brand new hat, "Buck" Jackins in his innocence before he had that trouble with the turkeys. That dashing Boots Kerr and cute, little Sam Jackins snuggling up to that dairyman.

Just for back ground theres a few more in this picture Bennie Harrell, Sid Eddleman, Nath Hill and Stuart Perry.

SOME MORE OF THE 1925 CROP

Above are a few of the newcomers that have come to us during the year just passed. For fear their faces may not be as familiar after a few years we are also printing their names.

Commencing at the upper left hand corner, their names are as follows

Violet Oliver, from Charlotte; next Dick Brown from Oxford; then Morris Freeman and Cheek Freeman, from Mecklenburg County; then A. J. Potter, from Kinston.

Middle Row Marvin Stone from Hickory; next the Beaver family, David, Pearl and John, who have returned to us. after being away about six months. Then Jasper Oliver, from Charlotte.

Bottom Row Aretta Noring, then Myrtle Noring, both from Wilmington; then Bill Martin from Charlotte, and David Roberts, from Rockingham.

In six or seven years we may publish this picture again and see who can recognize them.

MAYBE LOYALTY WEEK WILL HELP THIS.

Please take time to study this table carefully, and if it's present condition is due to your failure to do your part see to it that you do your part before the end of the Church year. We are all concerned about the most serious plight of our Mission Boards, both Foreign and Home, and we know that we must make a united effort to clear these great departments of our Churches' work of the crushing debts holding them back.

There is no need to allow another department to get into debt to further hamper the work of these Committees and a careful study of this table will help to prevent this happening. Your duty to your Orphanage is not a burdensome one. If not allowed to run behind, its needs are taken care of easily. If allowed to run behind its debts become just like all other debts, a burdensome thing to raise.

Please take note of one thing, the Church at large, has not been called upon to contribute for any building operation in four years, and yet in that time, there has been added over $100,000 in new buildings and there is provided now half that amount for new building and endowment.

This money has all been furnished by a few individuals, and has not been placed as a burden on the whole Church. The Church is expected to provide the support of the place and this is held down to the very nominalff amount of $1.50 per Church member per year, and your Institution here under the policy of the present Board of Regents does not contemplate increasing this obligation, but to regulate the expansion of our capacity in proportion to the increase of Church membership in the Synod.

Now to analyze this table a little and see just how the various Presbyteries are responding to this average of $1.50 per member.

Comparing with the corresponding date of last year you will see that only one Presbytery, Wilmington, is in better shape and that only by the small sum of 1½ cents per member, whereas, all the others are much further behind than a year ago, Granville showing the greatest difference a matter of 58½ cents per member.

The synod, as a whole, is a matter of nearly 19 cents behind, or $13,360.00. Last year, by a spurt during March, practically all Presbyteries came up to the total, and the Synod as a whole, only lacked three cents or about $2,000.00.

You will note that Winston-Salem is the only Presbytery that is up to date with her obligations. During the next two months it will require just 25 cents per member to allow her to finish the year paid up. With her membership this will amount to about $850.00.

Concord being 13 cents behind will need to pay 38 cents during February and March to finish even, which with her membership amounts to $3,960.

Albemarle, 13¼ cents behind, needs to raise in the same time 38¼ cents, or $1,475.00. Mecklenburg needs 39¾ cents per member or $5760.00. Orange needs 52¼ cents per member or $5,410.00. Wilmington needs 55 cents per member or $4,226.20. Kings Mountain needs 61¼ cents per member or $2911.00. Granville needs 66 cents per member or $3,030.00 and Fayetteville needs 72½ cents per member or $8,880.00.

This report covers ten months of the Church year, from past experience little can be expected from February, and March is getting to be a rather hectic month in Church finances. Would it not be possible to make a new custom this year and get this business cleared up before those last trying days.

There are so many duties that fall to the head of an institution of this kind, some of them unpleasant, turning down a request to pay an overdue account is one, turning back applications that are, in all respects, worthy, for lack of room is another, sometimes asking for money is hard, but the task that always just goes against the grain is having to write individual Churches about their failure to do their share of the Orphanage financing. One reason it seems so hard is because it also seems so unnecessary.

You know what the Orphanage is costing; you know your duty toward it; then cash those good intentions, and send the proceeds to us. We know this great place has your good will—let's not let it get the debt habit.

PRESBYTERY	JANUARY RECEIPTS	Per Memb.	Amount Behind	Jan. 1925 Receipts	Amt. Behind Per Mem. Last Year
Winston-Salem	$ 122.03	3¾c	Ahead ½c	$1325.00	Ahead 48¾
Concord	1531.43	15c	Behind 13	1430.72	Behind 2¼c
Albemarle	426.42	12c	Behind 13¼	686.95	Ahead 2½c
Mecklenburg	2065.89	14½	Behind 14¾	2395.63	Behind 6¼c
Orange	1300.62	12¾	Behind 27¼	1777.95	Behind 9¾c
Wilmington	575.87	7½	Behind 30	700.04	Behind 31½
Kings Mountain	403.95	8½	Behind 36¼	701.14	Behind 5¼
Granville	479.59	10½	Behind 41	1827.67	Ahead 17½
Fayetteville	645.03	5¼	Behind 47½	1385.36	Behind 34c
SYNOD	$7,550.83	10.6	Behind 27.6	12,230.46	Behind 8.9c

HONOR ROLL

First Grade—Irene Fort, Elmer Beaver, Bill Martin.

Second Grade—Ernest Clark, Chas. Kline, A. D. Potter, Gay Stone.

Third Grade—Eula Lee Anthony, Margaret Brooks, Pauline Cable, Aubrey Clark, Harry East, Sadie Harris, Myrtle Johnson, Dorothy Thomas.

Fourth Grade—Lucile Beck.

Fifth Grade—Eula Lee Walton, Carr Bradley, Ruth Morris.

Seventh Grade—Rachel Dowless, Katherine Kerley.

One Caught Every Minute

Florida is establishing a bird sanctuary. A reservation for visiting fish will be established later.—Ft. Wayne News-Sentinel.

Rah!—Jas. Sloan—Jas. Sloan—Rah!

ATTA BOY!

Do you notice any difference in the looks of the sheet this month? If you don't know the reason just look up last month's copy and read about it. This is *the first issue printed with type set up on that grand* New LINOTYPE Machine *THE GIFT OF MR. JAS.* Sloan Just watch us grow. We are thinking of putting on a daily **just for the campus.**

Rah!—Jas. Sloan—Jas. Sloan—Rah! Rah!—Jas. Sloan—Jas. Sloan—Rah! Rah!—Jas. Sloan—Jas. Sloan—Rah! Rah!—Jas. Sloan—Jas. Sloan—Rah!

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THRIFT MONTH

IN our March paper we want to carry a number of articles on saving. We are now in the midst of Thrift month and are receiving articles on how to save. For fear some of our readers, and possibly, some of our family may not be familiar with this plan, we will briefly describt it.

Having a liking for statistics we were doing a little mental calculation several years ago as to the possible brain power of Barium Springs. Of course, we knew that the total brain capacity of all the workers was being enlisted for the good of the institution, but by far the most active brain horsepower was not being taking into account except possibly in the wrong direction. In other words, a good deal of the grownup brain power was being used to oppose the very active child brainpower that might be made to help instead of hinder.

To bring this change about and to enlist everybody's brains for the good of the place we several years ago inaugurated the plan of asking for suggestions from the children as to ways and means of better doing our work and saving money for the orphanage.

We have found these several campaigns very helpful in not only suggesting many valuables changes but in also getting the idea over that there is a need to save.

This year we hope that the articles handed in will be the best yet. We believe that every year the young folks are entering more and more into the idea that this is just a big family, and that it is to the interest of each of us to work for the good of all.

Of course in the eyes of six years or thereabouts, values have not adjusted themselves. A penny penny bar of candy looks more valuable than a ten cent loaf of bread, but even the six year brain can get the idea that a waste of the bread will automaticallly prohibit the candy. To use some large words, the waters of waste may so undermine the foundations of our existence, (our necessities)that the structure will not support any luxuries, or pleasures.

To make the writing of these articles more interesting and to add zest several generous prizes are offered for the best articles. For the best article a prize of ten dollars is offered. For secondt bes $5.00, for third, $2.00. These cash prizes are given by Mr. Rufus Johnston of Charlotte.

HOWARD COTTAGE

We are all glad that Miss Trig has come to help us with our work. When we got up Monday morning, Elsie Brown came in our room and said "it's snowing."

Wanted, by Alice Yarborough, Jack, the dog, to come up from the hospital. All of our girls are well.

Mr. Johnston took us a long walk Sunday evening and we all enjoyed it very much.

Miss Scott said she likes girls better now.

One morning we told Virginia Edwards a tramp was in the basement. She said it was not so; she went down there.

Lyda Flower hid behind the tank When Virginia came in Lyda grabbed her.

We had our program Sunday and we hope every one enjoyed it.

Wanted, by Pearl Bostian, more keys to eat.

We sure will be glad when summer comes so we can go in swimming.

We hope to have more news next time Mary L. West.

CAMPUS BUZZARDS

We don't know just how they got this name, they don't look that way when their boss keeps his hat on. It may be because they are the clean-up squad.

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APPLICATIONS

JANUARY is the time for reports and stock-taking, stock not only of our goods on hand, but of the work we are doing. It is a good time also to stop a while and think of these things and stop those tendencies in the wrong direction. In this connection lets talk a few minutes about applications.

During 1925 we received 341 applications and inquiries, that is nearly the full capacity of the institution in one year. Of this total seventy-nine children were accepted, and 262 either rejected or held on the waiting list until room can be provided.

Now in the selection of the children to be admitted it is necessary to investigate every case. We would be just as derelict in our duty if we received children too hastily without proper investigation as we would be in not receiving worthy children when we had room. And in making these investigations many things come to light that make us think that there is a wide-spread ignorance of the purpose and intent of the orphanage.

Take first the cases where the father is dead and the mother is making a more or less successful effort to care for her children, sometimes a friend seeing the hardships in this home and not seeing the worthwhileness of the woman's struggles writes to us and works up a most plausible case. In some cases we may be almost ready to accept, and then find that the mother does not want to send her children away, but has been persauded that somehow it is her duty to her children and to the Church to send her children here so she has consented to make application. Children have been accepted from such applications and it is next to impossible to ever get the idea out of the mother's head and more particularly, out of the children's that they have been doing the orphanage a favor by coming, where as if they had been left in their homes the mother could have provided and had the priceless satisfaction of keeping her family together and under her own roof.

Then there is the condition that arises when a husband and father deserts his family. If it were not for the fear of boring you we would quote a few statistics on this, but suffice it to say that nearly fifty per cent of our inquiries are from cases of this kind, and in practically every case the application is accompanied with the statement that the children are more truly orphans than if their father was dead. Well they are **not** orphans and if we accept these children in every case as if they were we will be in a way encouraging that very desertion. If a man who has grown weary of the burden of providing for his family feels sure that his children will be taken care of in a well conducted and equipped orphanage without one cent of expense to him, if he just disappears, to other and less expensive surroundings, the temptation to do that very thing will often be too strong to resist. While this does not apply to every case, still we do believe it is the business of the state to look after the majority of these desertions, and by its long arm see to it that the deserter pays the fiddler.

If we could see how often these completely lost fathers find themselves and commence to either write or visit their children after they are safely placed in an orphanage, maybe we would be a little less precipitate about making application for their children.

Then there is another kind. Before the death of the husband and father, maybe the family has been used to more or less of the luxuries and when deprived of his support find that these things must be given up and feel that in the giving up that there is something of disgrace. They could get along, but not in the style that they may have lived in formerly, the mother feels that if her children are placed in an institution, and she is relieved of this expense that she can continue to supply herself with the things she has been used to and also give her children enough to set them apart from the rest of the orphanage family. Fortunately there are not so many of this kind, but they are extremely hard to detect. And so often the people of the community just press this sort of an application harder than any other. It it next to impossible for us to detect the motives behind an application always, and that is why these kind, although few in number, do occasionally get children into the Home. When these do enter the Home the result is most unhappy, both for the parent and the children. The children get the notion that they belong to a higher plane than the other children with whom they associate, and invariably become a most fruitful source of discontent. Their attitude toward the Home, instead of being one of affection and loyalty, is one of tolerance and contempt. It is the few cases of this kind that make all institutions have to make rather strict rules about gifts to individual from relatives. To require all gifts of this character to come through the office rather than direct to the child.

Don't misunderstand us to say that all children from homes that have been well provided for are of this character, quite the contrary, many of our very best and most promising are from homes of this kind, and the mothers most sympathetic and helpful.

This space is too limited to discuss every kind of application that comes to us, but we do want to mention a few more things in general that have a bearing on this business.

As we can all see with a little calculation there is room here for one child for each two hundred church members. Now of course, we don't try to guage each church's applications by its membership, for that would mean that a church of less than two hundred members could never get a child into the Home. But we do have to use this average as to Presbyteries and communities. For instance, if a church of say, five hundred members, sends ten children to the orphanage, and then continues to send more applications and insisting that they be received, you can readily see that these applications will have to wait until those coming from a church that is way behind in its requests is served. This is a matter that has to be most carefully watched. And the very people that are instrumental in sending in these applications can help us the most. Just remember this, that whenever you send in an application that you have only slightly investigated yourself with, maybe, the thought that your church is just that much the winner if they are accepted, that that very application weakens your next application which may be most needy and worthy. To explain, from the number it is manifestly impossible for us to personally investigate every inquiry coming to us, we would have time for nothing else, so we have to rely on what you say in the first instance, as to just what applications arereally strong enough to warrant an investigation. Well when we find a man that just sends in application after application in many instances without any investigation other than to do somebody a favor, naturally the applications he sends are not considered with the seriousness that one from a man that we know realizes the conditions here and does not needlessly burden us with half-baked requests.

There are some men who never seem to write us except about getting more children into the Home, never a word as to the condition of the Home, its finances, or any offer to help. In one case that we recall, even forgetting to announce the Thanksgiving collection to his congregation and thus depriving them of an opportunity to help and the Institution of this much needed help.

In other cases we get applications from men who have informed themselves of the needs, condition and purposes of the Home and in the light of this have sent in their requests. WHICH WOULD YOU THINK WOULD BE MOST WORTHY OF IMMEDIATE ATTENTION?

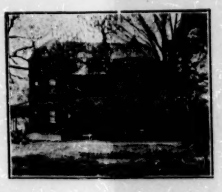
Just one other thing when you press an application, don't think of just that one case, remember that there are many cases before us and over half must be refused, if you insist on the acceptance of yours (and your insistance carries great weight) your next application may be even more worthy but on account of your getting this one in your chances are very much weakened as to getting in the next.

AND THEN THERE IS THE VERY GREAT NUMBER THAT APPLY HERE THAT ARE IN NO SENSE OUR RESPONSIBILITY, BUT PREFER BARIUM SPRINGS TO ANY OTHER INSTITUTION.

We could preach a sermon on this, especially when we see the zeal some of our people have in pressing this class, as if there was something extremely fine in catching a little Methodist and makink a Presbyterian out of him.

To be continued when the brickbats stop falling.

SYNOD COTTAGE



WE are glad to report that Christmas was a wonderful success. at Synod's Cottage. The good people over the state were most generous indeed with their gifts of books, toys, ties, handkerchiefs, sleds, wagons and candies, fruits and nuts. If there was ever a supreme happy set of small boys at Christmas it was they, and we wish, through this column, to thank the friends of Synods Cottage for their goodness to us.

The boys had their Christmas tree after breakfast. The room was darkened and lighted with dozens of candles. Their tree was decorated the night before by the Jennie Gilmer boys—and it was attractively done. Many of the workers and children came in and saw Mr. Johnston present the gifts to each boy—while they in turn put their gifts in bags that they had gotten the night before at the barn. They believe in preparedness and it was a great scheme for keeping their gifts separated.

The canary has brought as much joy to our cottage as any of the gifts.

The two snows have brought much joy (as well as slush!) to our cottage! If one wishes a thrill, try keeping forty pairs of feet dry and warm during a week of snow.

The following boys from our cottage united with the Church on January 17th: Richard W. Brown, Robert Wimberly, Joe Savage, A. D. Potter, Norman Lee Potter, Ralph Spencer, F. W. Whitlow, Marley Sigmon, Ernest Morrow, Mack Walton and Clarence Link. A. J. Potter also united with the Church with our boys.

Mrs. Bailey is once more at Synods Cottage as one of the matrons. Every boy welcomed her with opened arms, literally,—and we are a happy family to have her again one of us.

Mrs. Lila Penel of Belton, is quite an addition to our home. She is one of the student matrons of the present class.

LOTTIE WALKER
Second Floor

The "Night Before Christmas," it was really hard to go to sleep, with such a pressure of Christmas gifts on our mind, but this was managed, somehow, by the Sand Man.

Early next morning the boys awoke us by blowing all the horns that could be secured; strange to say, this was not very much appreciated, tho' the boys seem to think it was. Mr. Johnston had brought Mrs. Johnston over and we had other friends present, Mrs. Noring and Miss Adams, so we had some very enjoyable company. Mr. Johnston had given permission to use our fireplace, which made the occasion seem more "homey." We sang two Christmas songs and then four girls were appointed to assist Mrs. Hill in delivering the packages. As the rising bell had not rung, we had time to look at our presents and we had such a happy time. During the holidays, lunch was sent around to the cottages instead of the usual supper being served; this gave the kitchen girls and dish washers a good rest.

For some time we have been wishing for snow and surely some one must have "stepped on a magic carpet" for it snowed; if any children ever were satisfied with falling snow, it was this Barium crowd; then, sleds came into use and many places were worn smooth; the snow on the roof became tired waiting to melt and just slid off; now we know how glaciers must look when they move down the mountains.

Two of the student-matrons room on our Floor; Miss Darington from New Orleans and Mrs. Trigg from Missouri; we hope they will stay with us for it makes us lonely for our friends to leave, after we learn to like them so well.

The Senior and Intermediate Christian Endeavor had a joint meeting last Sunday night and Miss Andrews gave us a talk on the convention that met in Atlanta during Christmas; she gave us parts of a sermon called "Playing the Game."

A TRIBUTE TO FOUNDER OF THE WALDENSIAN COLONY

The First Man to Speak English at Valdese—Postmaster for 15 Years

Ippolito Salvageot, 86, is a true type of the Waldensian colony. Since becoming of ripe old age, he is remindful of his birthplace and is proud of its history. The writer was a guest in the Salvageot home a short time ago, and during a short interview with this interesting character learned to know a few enviable traits of this man.

Coming to London when he was 15 years of age, he became an aide to an English general (who later appealed to the boy as a guardian.) Associations grew until they both knew their likes and dislikes. And a trip around the world was afforded this 15-year-old lad. (He has also made the trip to Italy twice since coming to the United States.

As a father to the boy, this general tutored Mr. Salvageor in the use of English, and in two years—while together—Mr. Salvageot says he was enabled to use the English language very fluently

In his teachings and practices, to teach the boy right the general emphasized stres on two things—that of honesty and truthfulness. And a token of this appreciation and understanding was merited out at the time of the general's death which occurred in New York; he left $900 to this Italian boy. But Mr. Salvageot stated that he put it along with $500 in a New York bank and the bank failed.

He came to Valdese in the year of 1893, and was among the first to endure the hardships encountered by the colony when the forty families first settled in Burke county. "No one will ever know the suffering experienced while preliminary work of establishing quarters was in course of construction," says Mr. Salvageor.

"Only a wilderness was in evidence. And the exposure that we were subject to was enough to make everyone sick."

He was the first man to be appointed postmaster at Valdese. He served this post of duty for 15 years, as well as being station agent. He is one of the oldest members of the Waldensian Presbyterian Church.

THE WALDENSIAN CHURCH

The church at this village is about 250 strong, all members being a part of the original colony first settling at Valdese. Rev. J. A. Verreault has recently been ordained pastor of this pastorate, coming to Valdese from New Orleans. His sermons alternate each Sunday with French and English, at the morning and evening service.

Now It Needs A Bath

Mary had a little lamb,
Its fleece one time was white;
But that was in the good old days
When we burned anthracite.
—Philadelphia Public Ledgre

ALEXANDER *and* DAIRY

WE were glad it snowed so we could use our new sleds. They are just getting to run good. The only thing we didn't like was that the snow didn't last long enough. This one is not hard enough for good coasting.

Mr. Capps was here Saturday to see his boys.

McLean Capps is going to Statesville to have his teeth straightened.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs of Gastonia, stopped a little while to see their nephew, William Perry.

Mrs. Estridge made George a very short visit recently.

The school term is half over. We have just finished our examinations. We will be glad when the final ones are over and vacation begins.

Several of our boys have recited the Catechism and have their Testaments. They are very proud of them.

Mr. Jackson came over after Church and took pictures of nearly all the boys. To our great surprise, his camera was not broken.

"Cat" Wilkes is sad because there are no more rats at the barn.

"Alexander Roughnecks."

LOTTIE WALKER
First Floor

WE were all very glad when Miss Adams told us that Miss Lanier was coming back to help us, but were still more glad when she at last came. Welcome Miss Lanier!

Miss Adams has been very sick during the past week and has been staying at the Boyd Cottage with her mother and sister. We have missed her just lots and will be real happy to have her back.

Miss Williams, one of our high school teachers, has also been sick, but is back again now. Mrs. Bailey taught us while Miss Williams was ill and we all enjoyed having her as a teacher.

The basketball girls were awfully disappointed Saturday when they received a phone call saying the Harmony game was called off on account of the death of one of the principal's grandchildren. They are in hopes that the challenge will be repeated soon. They are expecting to play Lincolnton Friday. Good luck, girls. Beat 'em up!

Gee! but this has been a month for us, studying for "mid-term exams." But, thank goodness they're over at last and we have time to breath once again.

"Snow, snow, go away
Come again another day—"

My! the girls have had a time of it, every time we peep out we get hit with one of the boy's snowballs, but just wait, we'll fix them.(some way.)

(Wanted by Virginia King)—A large bag of onions and a vamp-proof boy she will have to work to get him as she never has to work very hard til she has them all at her feet. (Like fish.)

SOME MORE ABOUT OUR MAILING LIST.

DURING January we received so many new names for the mailing list that we found that we had not printed enough papers to take care of them. This is just to let you know that we will certainly get your names on the February paper.

We have also received a good many corrections to the list where more than one copy goes to the same family ,and in nearly every case there was an apology as if the writer was afraid of hurting our feelings by calling this to our attention. People we are glad for you t odo this. We are continually asking for just these things. We are going to keep repeating the following in every issue so that you may not hesitate.

IF YOUR FAMILY IS GETTING MORE THAN ONE COPY OF THE MESSENGER, PLEASE NOTIFY US AND WE WILL STOP ALL BUT THE ONE COPY.

IF YOU KNOW OF ANY PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY NOT NOW GETTING THE MESSENGER, IF YOU WILL SEND US THEIR NAME WE WILL GLADLY PUT IT ON THE MAILING LIST. THERE IS NO SUBSCRIPTION PRICE FOR THIS PAPER. BUT DONATIONS TOWARDS ITS SUPPORT ARE ALSO GLADLY RECEIVED.

There are at present 16,000 names on this list and that should put a paper in every Presbyterian home in North Caroiina, and that is just what we want.

Wars—Whence Do They Come

We feel strongly impressed that the following scripture (the 4th chapter of James) will be an eye-opener to many, as it surely explains the cause of the awful political condition of the day:

.From whence came wars and fighting among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?

2 Ye lust, and have not, ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye havd not, because ye ask not.

3 Ye ask and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.

4 Ye adulterert and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lesteth to envy?

6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble.

7 Submit youtselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and and he flee from you.

8 Draw nigh unto God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify you hearts, ye double minded.

9 Be afflicted, and mourn and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness.

10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

11 Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge.

12 There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that jndgest another.

13 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:

14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow, For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

15 For what ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live and do this, or that.

16 But now ye rejoice in your boasting: all such rejoicing is evil.

17 Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.

NOTE:

The foregoing applies to nations, as well as to the individual.—Free Tract Society (Inc.)

When you're knockin' 'long on weary feet
With business on the bum,
'N you don't know where the dough to meet
The rent is coming from;
You'll meet a man, he'll wink 'n grin,
'N tell you how he's starred,
'N the grass'll seem much greener
In the olher fellow's yard.

When you make the old tin lizzie
Do her stuff eight hours a day,
'N she shakes you 'til you're dizzy
'N your teeth change places, say,
Don't you often wish you'd taken up
Some other business, pard?
For the grass seems always greener
In the other fellow's yard.

When your grocer drives a finer car
Than you have ever known,
'N your milkman's wife is dressed by far
Much better than your own;
When you're diggin' for more besiness
'N the route is long 'n hard,
The grass'll seem much greener
In the other fellow's yard.

If you changed jobs with the grocer,
Or a job of any kind,
In a short while you would know, sir,
That it's just a state of mind.
Your own grass is the sweetest
And will pay the best reward,
Tho the grass may seem the greenest
In the other fellow's yard.

—Phil.

Bad Colds

Particularly at this season of the year no complaint is so common as "Bad Colds." So common are colds that everybody accepts them as a matter of course without much thought of their cause or their importance.

As the skin under the arms become moist with perspiration so the inside skin—the mucous membrane of the nose and throat is constantly moist with a secretion called mucuous. When grease gets on she kitchen stove and fills the room with smoke the eyes smart and the tears flow freely. This smoke is irritating to the delicate eye and nature throws out an abundance of tears to wash this irritation out of the eyes and protect them from it. We say the eyes water. Just in the same way nature regulates the amount of mucous secreted to meet the need of protecting the mucous membrane of nose and throat from irritation of heat and cold. Now it happens that this warm moist mucous membrane is an ideal place for bacteria to grow if they get an opportunity to get started.

At this season of the year with so many changes in temperature and so much variation in the protecting covering of the mucous membraner there are many more opportunities for infection to get started. This is why colds are so much more common now than during the summer. A cold is not really a cold but an infection. It is caused by a very small bug or microbe which grows and multiplies in the "head" or "chest" but only after it has first been planted there. Hot rooms, sudden chilling of the body, wet feet and exposure prepare the soil and then coming in contact with some one else who has a csld gives the opportunity for these germs to become planted on this prepared soil.

There are two ways by which colds can be ptevented. First by avoiding persons who have a cold, second, by avoiding those things that prepare the soil so the germs can grow and multiply.

If you have a cold do not scatter the germs broadcast by coughing or sneezing in other people's faces. If you must cough or sneeze do so behind your own handkerchief. Also avoid letting any one else use or even handle your handkerchief or anything else your secretion have contaminated. Avoid as much as possible close association with other people, especially sleeping with some one else and going inte crowds,—the picture show, school or church.

Whether you have a cold, do not let the living room, sleeping room or school room get too hot (not more than 70 degrees,) dress to suit the weather, sleep with adequate cover but in a well ventilated room.

He Meant It

Miss Murphy is a teacher in one of the lower grade schools at Northamton, Mass. She was teaching her pupils to repeat the 23d Psalm. She felt that one little boy was not saying it correctly. The next time the closs recited the psalm she stood near this boy, and found, when it came to the verse, "Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow me," etc., he said, "Surely good Miss Murphy shall follow me all the days of my life."—Boston Dally Globe.

Worth Their Salt

"Do all the women of your intellectual advancement organization make speeches?" "Oh, no, the more useful ones make tea and sandwiches."—The Chrisian Register.

Too Much Previousness

Another of Tomahawk's pioneer settlers has gone to his eternal rest. in the person of Charles M. Johnson, who passed away on Thursday November 12, at Sacred Heart Hospital, following an operotion performed the following Tuesday.—Personal in a Wisconsin paper.

SUPPORT FUND

S.S. 2nd church Salisbury	25.00
Owens ss	3.00
W's Aux., Circle 1 2 and 3 Graham	9.00
W's Aux., Red Springs	22.28
Lakeside church	11.08
Pitssboro church	3.20
ss 1st church Durham	16.80
Men's Bible Cl., 1st church Greensboro	100.00
Graham church	164.42
Back Creek church	15.19
Back Creek ss	21.05
Davidson church Thanksgiving	392.37
Davidson church Regular	88.86
W's Aux. 2nd church Charlotte	16.50
2nd church Salisbury	5.73
Montpelier church	17.04
W's Aux. 1st church Winston-Salem	30.00
Aberdeen church	9.00
Gilwood church	18.60
W's Aux. High Point	12.00
1st ch Charlotte	500.00
Brotherhood B. C., 1st Salisbury	25.00
Thyatira church	10.00
1st church Wilmington	100.00
Shiloh church	3.60
Lenoir church	427.00
W's Aux Henderson	5.00
3rd Creek church	8.00
Elmwood ss	1.10
Bethel ss	5.90
Williams' Memorial church	40.51
Bethel church	22.71
W's Aux. Lenior	4.00
Little Joe's ss	2.22
St. Pauls C. E. Soc.	3.51
High Point church	455.00
" " ss	28.00
Jonesboro ss	13.00
Front Street ss	4.74
Concord Iredell church	9.37
Waughton ss	18.90
Cramerton ss	2.08
White Plainss ss	5.00
St. Andrews church Wilmington	47.00
Delgado church	2.00
Rockingham ss	5.10
Maxton church	67.19
W's Aux. Westminister church	12.00
Lexington ss	13.34
Ashboro W's Aux.	8.78
Bethesda " "	.63
Bethlehem " "	25.00
Church-by-Side-Road ss	95.32
Graham church	23.15
Graham ss	3.78
Haywood church	10.50
Goldston ch	8.57
Little River ch	1.31
Mebane ch	7.35
Midway ch	1.24
Red House ch	15.00
Westminster ch	69.10
" W's Aux.	26.50
Salem ch	4.00
Sanford ch	12.36
Jr, Y. P. Society-Jonesboro	9.00
Westminster ss	25.81
Lexington ch	4.15
Mocksville ch	4.48
Elbenezer ch	.25
Peak Creek ch	2.25
Fairview ch	2.33
Falkland ch	11.50
Cameron ss	25.17
Hopewell ch	24.23
W's Aux, Circle 2, Mallard Creek	5.00
Wilson ss	19.62
Lenior ch	20.00
Ernest Myatt ch	308.59
1st ss High Point	25.00
Mulberry ch	39.48
Aux Leaflet	10.50
Sanford ss	28.00
Spies ss	1.42
Raeford ch	60.11
Thyatyira ss	6.30
Mocksville ss	6.91
Circle 2, W's Aux-Trinity Ave ch	3.00
Rutherfordton ss	8.04
Wallace ss	5.38
W's Aux Highland	12.70
1st church Gastonia	10.00
W's Aux Shelby	10.25
W's Aux 2nd ch Charlotte	52.00
Westminster ch	150.00
Mt. Willams ch	10.50
Steele Creek church	5.00
Morven ss	5.00
Mitchiner Mem. ch	3.00
Rockfish ss	3.17
Pri. Dept. Westminster ch	5.50
East Arcadia ss	1.00
W's Aux 1st ch Washington	14.25
Grassy Creek ch	28.00
Wilmore ch	15.88
Hallsville ch	12.00
Goshen Chapel ch	5.00
W'r Aux, McKinnon ch	5.00
2nd church Concord	33.00
Rex "	7.00
W's. Aux. Faison	12.00
Shelby ss	22.95
Fairview church	1.00
Hebron church	.09
Kenly church	.61
Nut Bush church	15.29
Oakland "	1.90
Oxford "	18.70
First church Raleigh	39.38
" " Vanguard	3.40
Stanley church	25.00
Union Mills church	4.03
Castena church	2.00
W's Aux. Unity	1.00
Iona ss	12.65
1st church Statesville	67.55
" " ss	51.43
Beulah church	10.55
Union ss	3.00
Ladies Mis. Soc. Centre ch.	2.00
Montpelier church	168.00
2nd ss Concord	9.00
1st church Kings Mt.	11.25
Hope Mills ss	16.55
Buie's Creek church	1.00
Montpelier church	15.00
Immanuel church	14.00
Cherryville SS	2.00
Pee Dee church	3.68
Wadesboro ss	5.00
1st church Salisbury	35.79
Calypso ss	4.00
Moment Class 1st ch. Raleigh	13.50
Ladie Bible Class Dunn	6.10
W's. Aux. 2nd church Salisbury	5.00
Shelby church	41.25
Highland church	23.37
Centre church	12.00
W's. Aux. Newell	10.08
Winter Park church	12.98
Hamlet ss	25.00
W's. Aux. Mebane	15.00
Prospect church	11.25
Circle 1, W's. Aux., Sanford	10.00
Westminster church	30.00
" Aux.	6.50
" Jr. C. E.	.50
Clarkton ss	21.85
Bethel church	23.07
Ch. of Covenant, Wilmington	250.00

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CLOTHING MONEY

Alamance church	5.00
W's. Aux. Acme	22.50
Lucy Chadbourn Society, 1st ch Wilmington	66.00
I. H. N. Circle, 1st church Salisbury	45.00

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Miscellaneous Support

James Sloan-California	200.00
F L Fuller	100.00
Mrs. H P Tharpe	10.00
D J McDonald	25.00
M E Donglass	50.00
W J Barker	25.00
J M Oldham	25.00
Mrs. W T Clark	125.00
R W Cable	75.00
F P Tate	6.00
Dr. Wilbert C. Jackson	8.33
A Friend-Fayetteville	6.00
M D Moore	5.00
F. W. Bierman	20.00
Newton Kiwanis Club	50.00
Jos. B. Johnston	30.00
Jas. D. Williams, Dunn	5.00
Mrs. Harvey Bass, Dunn	1.00
J. B. Harrell	2.25
Memory M. Flowers, Statesville	3.00
" C. V. Henkle	5.00
" " " "	5.00
Mrs. J. L. Henry	10.00
D. and Mrs: L. D. Wharton	14.00
Miss Linda Smith	5.00
Mrs. Esther M. Bundy	8.20

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The Grand Total

Teacher (to class)—"Work this sum. 2 egg at 5c. each, a pint of milk at 6c a pint, and half a pound of sugar at 10c a pound. What do they made together?"

Small Girl—"Please, miss, a custard."—The Progressive Grocer.

EXCHANGES *and* Wheezes

Forgetful

A young woman who had studied in one of the moder universities met a professor who was noted for his absent-mindedness. "Don't you remember me, professor?" she inquired. "You once asked me to marry you, you know."

"Ah, yes," replied the professor, displaying sudden interest; "and did you."—Boston Transcript.

None of the Gang

"Have you a Charles Dickens in your home?" asked the polite book agent.

"No!" she snap.

"Or a Robert Louis Stevenson?"

"No!"

"Or a Gene Fiele?"

"No! we ain't, and, what's more, we don't run a boarding-house here either. If you're looking for them fellows, you might try the house across the street."—Credited to "Exchange" by the Christian-Evangelist.

Florida Frankness

ANYONE interested in a real-estate steal, a real opportunity to make real money with little to invest, communicate with me immeadiately by mail.—Personal ad in the Tampa Tribune.

Linguistic Item

Teacher—"Willie, what is zinc?"

Willie—"That's the French pronunciation for think."—Good Hardware.

Astronomical Note

Mother, 812,500 Miles Away Hear's Son's Greetings—Headline in a California paper.

An Editor's Invoice

According to the Milwaukee, N. D., Globe, an editor once kept track of his profits and losses during the year and gave an invoice of his business diary at the end of twelve months of ups and downs, in the following manner:

Been broke 361 times.
Praised the public 89 times.
Told lies 720 times.
Missed prayer meetings 52 times.
Been roasted 431 times.
Roasted others 52 times.
Washed the towel 3 times.
Missed meals 0.
Mistaken for preacher 11 times.
Mistaken for capitalist 0.
Got whipped 8 times.
Whipped others 0.
Cash on hand at beginning 1.47.
Cash on hand at ending 15c.—Square and Compass.

Nurse (at insane asylum)—"There's a man outside who wants to know if any of the male patients have escaped lately."

Doctor—"Why does he ask?"

Nurse—"He says somebody has run off with his wife."—Cornell Widow.

Doesn't Need Glasses

The carelessness of a printer in making galley-proof corrections led to this amusing appearance of an ad in "The Camera" Monday night, and the following letter from a subscriber:

"Found—Pair of tortoise-shell glasses on University campus Sunday. Owner may have same by describing Mrs. Lucile Neuswanger of Pueblo."

The letter:

"Daily Camera:—My guess is that Mrs. Lucile Neuswanger is a tall lady with bobbed hair, wears glasses, and fur-trimmed clothes, also silk stockings. If this description fits please send me the glasses.—A Subscriber."—Boulder (Col.) Daily Camera.

A REAL VENTRILOQUIST

ON Friday night, January 22nd, our movie program was enlivened by a visit from one of the old timers from way back in the early days of the present century. Mr. Ferguson of Charlotte, a one time inhabitant of Synod Cottage at a time none of the present family were born, brought his wife and Mr. Norman from Charlotte to see us.

Now Mr. Ferguson looks extremely healthy, and it may be from eating so much when he was a boy here or it might be from being with Mr. Norman so much for that man Norman can do more things to keep you laughing than you can even remember.

Above everything else he is a ventriloquist if that is the way to spell it, and he certainly knows how to do his stuff. Why he made out like he had a bee in a tin box and it sounded so much like the real thing that one of the little boys said he could smell the bee and he almost got stung.

We are glad these friends came just after Exams instead of before, because everybody is still talking about them and this would have interfered with those studies.

We want to thank all of this party for thinking of us and for the very enjoyable entertainment they gave us.

SUPPORT FUND

W's. Aux Caswell church	6.00
2nd church Mooresville	20.05
Seversville church	10.00
Paw Creek church	150.00
1st church Albemarle	11.25
1st church Aux Henderson	10.00
Downs S S	4.00
Stony Creek church	2.71
Piedmont church	1.00
Sherwood church	25.35
Mount Horeb church	5.00
Mount Olive S S	9.29
1st church Rocky Mount	214.33
W's. Aux Huntersville	12.00
White Plains S S	1.75
El Bethel S S	7.05
Farmville church	60.16
1st church New Bern	27.31
W's Aux Jonesboro	2.35
St. Andrews church Jonesboro	10.00
W's Aux Blacknall Mem	7.00
Candor S S	6.00
Circle 6 W's Aux Alamance	5.00
1st S S Concord	86.11
Ephesus S S	2.00
W's Aux Back Creek	2.00
Rocky Point church	10.00
Milton S S	10.31
Gilead church	2.20
Laurel Hill church	30.00
Godwin S S	6.00
Concord Presbyterial	6.00
Jacksonville S S	3.20
W's Aux Graham	7.36
W's Aux 2nd ch. Charlotte	107.00
Thyatira Aux	2.93
1st church Gastonia	10.00
W's Aux Westminster Charte.	10.00
Jackson Springs S S	26.02
Bethpage church	9.75
Paw Creek S S	137.37
West Ave church	70.00
Amity church	70.80
Caldwell Mem. church	90.15
Carmel church	13.04
Central Steel Creek church	45.00
Cooks Mem. church	6.50
Marks Creek church	22.00
Newells church	29.15
Paw Creek church	50.00
Philadelphia church	22.90
Philadelphia S S	22.75
Pineville church	9.00
Pleasant Hill church	27.60
Sharon church	23.45
Sugar Creek church	110.00
Sugar Creek S S	23.50
Sugar Creek S S	14.00
2nd S S Concord	17.73
Fountain church	49.25
Philadelphia S S	10.72
Willard S S	6.75
Elise S S	3.30
Rock Branch S S	28.13
Covenant church Lowell	20.00
Belmont church	200.00
Little Joe's S S	3.31
W's. Aux. Goldsboro	17.00
W's. Bible Class, 1st. Church Salisbury,	10.00
Bargaw Church	5.00
Circle 4, W's. Aux. 1st. Church Greensboro,	5.00
Front Street S S	5.90
Cramerton S S	2.00
Mooresville 2nd. S S	8.41
Concord, Iredell, S S	14.72
Taylorsville S S	26.16
W's. Aux. Kenansville	4.00
W's. Aux. 2nd Church Charlotte	30.00
Morven S S	5.29
Unity Church	7.50
Cooleemee S S	6.50
Men's Bible Class, Belmont	32.10
Greenville Church	10.00
East Arcadia S S	1.00
W's. Aux. Mocksville	6.00
W's. Aux. Cooleemee	2.00
W's. Aux. Lexington	6.00
W's. Aux. N. Wilkesboro	11.25
W's. Aux. Winston-Salem	10.00
Total from Presbyteries	$7,550.83

MISCELLANEOUS SUPPORT

Jas. Sloan, Redlands, Cal. Linotype Machine	4,000.00
Memory E. N. Morrison	5.00
Reely Woodruff, Sparta	2.00
I. J. Williams, Rex	10.00
A Friend ,Duke	100.00
S. P. Fesperman, Ellerbee	14.00
Memory C. V. Henkle	5.00
D. J. McDonald, Wilmington	25.00
Memory Jno. B. Gill, Statesville	15.00
Total from Miscellaneous Income	$4,984.78

CLOTHING MONEY

Ruth M. Cable, Greensboro	25.00
Men's Bible Class 1st church Rutherfordton	22.50
W's. Aux Elmwood	11.25
W's. Aux Hickory	25.00
Mrs. Ethel Martin, Atlanta	3.00
Sadie Slow Watt, Reidsville	50.00
Primary Dept. 1st. S S Washington	5.00
2nd. Church Concord	5.00
Miss Fannie A. Carroll, Stem	6.00
Total from Clothing Fund	$291.25

PRELIMINARY PLANS IN FORCE FOR THE SPOTLIGHT OF '26

Organization of the work towards getting out the next issue of Barium Springs Annual—The Spotlight—has been perfected, and the class officers are hoping to make this issue one of the best yet published. Bob Johnston will be featured with his cartoon drawing, which has proven to be a masterpiece heretofore.

It is hoped the issue will be ready by May 1st.

Florida Miracles

For Sale—20 Leghorn chickens and rooster. Just beginning to lay. Apply H. S. P., Aldora Park.

Man with three hands to work wants job on grove, with house furnished. Any kind of grove work.—Classified ads in the Winter Haven (Fla.) Chief.

SCHOOL NEWS

What has happeened to the High School News column this month? One look at the next item is a sufficient answer. Who can have eyes and ears open for news when these two faculties are busy cramming for mid-term examinations? The square of the sum of two numbers, or Caesar's bridge, or the characteristics of Shakespeare, etc., etc., i s a stale story for the majority of our readers, but it is proving genuine news for some of the high school.

Concerrning Basketball

Play basketball, to win or not to win? that is the question. To practice or not to practice? this is the important question. Who wants to practice basketball these cold days? The football boys can tell you what happened when they neglected their football practice. Some games they won —and others they lost. WHY? They didn't all get together and put the right spirit in their practicee so when it came to a real game, some did as the Coach said ,and some, just what they thought best; therefore, those who gave their attention to the Coach more than likely did what was right, and those who didn't pay any attention to what the Coach had to tell them gummed everything up. Now the old saying is "practice makes perfect." What do you say, girls? Let's take this as our motto and see how near we can come to the goal.

During January the team has had only three good practice periods. The snow has prevented their using the outdoor Barium court. The Troutman school generously offered the use of its court and the Statesville court was used once.

You recall in the last issue of the Messenger that our girls played Harmony a tight score the 18th of December. They scheduled a return game on the 23rd and were in for giving those Harmony folks a little showing in the way of playing basketball when the news came that the Principal's grandchild had died and that the game would have to be called off. Our girls are very disappointed because they didn't get to play this game and it is suspected that they will take a spite out on the Lincolnton bunch next Friday, the 29th. They don't get mad often, but when they do, keep your eyes open.

Lincolnton Onzes Out by One Point At the Eleventh Hour

Margaret McPhail, captain of the basketbal team, starred in the game with Lincolnton, the 29th. The game just seemed like it was Barium's until the close of the last period when Lincolnton nosed out the extra point the score being 23 to 24.

An informal party was given by the Jennie Gilmer boys and Mrs. Simpson at Synod's Cottage on the evening of January 23rd Although this party was not attended by all, it was thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

After watching a few volunteer dancing exhibitions, a group of the guests went into a large room and played "drop the handkerchief." Next they played charades. Soon this game of mental gymnastics was abandoned for rook and checkers which predominated throughout the rest of the evening. Refreshments were served, which consisted of apples, oranges, and candy.

Mid-Term Exams

The mid-term examinations came to a close at 12 o'clock, Friday, January 22nd. Most every one came out of the schoolhouse with a different expression on his face from the one with which he had gone in with on Tuesday, the day the exams began.

Each grade had tests on six or more subjects, namely: English, Spaninsh or Latin, history or science, Math, spelling and Bible. Two hours was the time limit for each one. Each grade had two extra periods.

There was no Chapel Wednesday morning on account of the examinations.

RUMPLE HALL

We are all glad to have been examined. We hope everybody is all right.

Beatrice Edwards' clothing people came today to visit the campus. She was very glad to see them.

Since our last news, we have had a good many visitors: Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Helms, Mr. Hall, and Mrs. Vann came to see their children. Mrs. Vann took her little girl to stay with her.

All the Intermediate Christian Endeavor are going to have a party next Saturday night. If you want to see Bessie Vann dance, come up here some time and see her step the "Charleston" off.

We all had a real nice time when the snow was on the ground. If you want to hear a bird sing, come to Dorothy Hayes. B. V.

CAMPUS NEWS

We had a beaver and a lion in the printshop the other day. They are a part of the enrollment of the Alexander Cottage. Parker Lyons and David Beaver.

The high school expressed joy in having Miss Williams back after a week's sojourn in the hospital. The boys didn't express themselves just the way it was intended for the girl members, nevertheless, they felt just this way about it.

"Every little movement has a meaning all it's own,"—butMr. Johnston reconciles in the fact that this movement never aggitates a play on a checkerboard.

Ask McLain Capps.

We hear a lot of bewailing about the ole swimming hole, and a-wishing it was warm weather, so that a dip could be had.

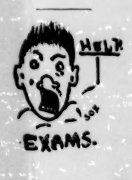
Better wait until the ground-hog has his "day."

As a climax following the holiday season, we've had exactly two snows and withall, not a single broken arm, in a family of 360 kids.

This only attends to weaken an over-rated appetite at times.

In our way of thinking this is a column of quibbs from the campus, and suffice to say its a relief to the news writers from the cottages who usually succumb to writer's cramp too soon. However, "Miss Linotype" is constructing these lines of thought and type.

And while in our mood of thinking, we, the printers, nor this typeseting device know anything about this fellow, Jim Sloan, but as we heard Mr. Johnston saying the other day, "I wish the woods were full of fellows of his kind."



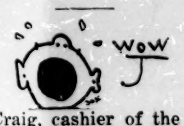
Mid-term "Exams!" Wow!

"It's a hard, hard, cruel world," but "I think I passed"—is the consequent reply from the Barium Highs. And a snow happened to be on the ground at the same time. How's zat?

In our meanderings about the Baby Cottage and Kindergarten we had a real inspiration the other day which prompts us to say this: Mrs. Simpson has tutored her baby students to mimck a real orchestra in the rendition of music (the only thing short of, of course, is the instruments—they can pat their foot and keep in time with victrola music) but this is about the only cottage on the hill without any kind of music at all.

Had another birthday crowd at the dining room on the 20th of January, and the way that bunch of 28 clung to that table, there was something worth while. The menu consisted of the following:

Oranges
Baked Chicken
Dressing Gravy
Candied Sweets
(With Marshmallows)
Cherry Pie
Pineapple Salad
Ice Cream Cake



John Craig, cashier of the Barium Springs Savings Department, has shaved his mustach off. Now just watch the trend of the shoe-polish market.

We heard that Miss Della Brown, matron of the Infirmary, was sick recently. Kinda strange, Miss Brown. We remember how you did those boys you caught eating green apples last spring. We are hoping that this won't last long.

Reid Brown is getting quite popular with more folks than football fans. He actually forgets to eat after coming to the dining room.He blushes and then looks abashed when queried.

We call attention to another one thing that you, dear reader, will recognize in this issue. The "Buzzard Group" or "gang" is herewith presented for your approval. That big fellow in the background of this picture, with the bald spot on his head, is none other than Mr. Cavin, who happens to hit the hammer with the nail—sometimes.

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

Mount Olive S S donation of soap.
Willow Springs, South Wake Group churches, donation of potatoes, 22 qts. fruit.
Reidsville, donation of potatoes from Sunday School.
Gastonia, Olney Presbyterian Church, ten quilts.
Reidsville, W's. Aux., one quilt.
Wilson, W. T. Clarke and Miss Romaine Clarke, books and magazines.
Greensboro, First Presbyterian Sunday School, four bolts material for bed spreads, tooth brushes, tooth paste, wash cloths, handkerchiefs, hand brushes, combs, one bolt table cloth material, sheets and pillow cases.
High Point S S additional 21 lbs sugar.
Wilmington, St. Andrews church, tooth paste.
Barium Springs, Presbyterian Orphans' Home, Lee West, three books for library.
Raeford, Phillippi Church, W's. Aux. two quilts.
Rockńsh, W's. Aux. Circle 6, one quilt three pillows and two pillow cases.
Burlington, Piedmont Presbyterian Church, rice, salt, sugar, oatmeal, towels, stationery and thread.
Mebane, Rte. 4, Mrs. G. T. Morrow, two air pillows for Infirmary.
Waltha, J. H. Newkirk, 11 bushels of potatoes and thirty pounds of meat.
Willard, J. B. Hall, three bags of potatoes.
Greensboro, Church - by - Side - The-Road, Thanksgiving barrel, Canned Goods, Jellies, and Preserves.
Rose Hill, W's. Aux., Oak Plain Church, one quilt.
Laurinburg, Master Robt. Berrie, donation of toys.
Morganton, Mrs. L. E. Webb, one quilt.
Charlotte, Mrs. L. W. Austin, twenty-five books.
Statesville, Mrs. L. N. Mills, Mrs. J. B. Cooper, donation of shoes.

CLOTHING BOXES

Stoneville, Miss Lottie Dillon's S. S. class.
Troy, Miss Lutie McIntyre, S S class "The King's Helpers"

ANNIE LOUISE COTTAGE

We know that everybody will be surprised to hear from us again, for we have not wrote any news in a long time. But we are still living.

We are running a beauty parlor in the fireroom. Eula Anthony and Margaret Brooks, are in charge. You will have to pay $5 to have your hair curled, and it is so hot in there.

You can come on Wednesday and Saturday.

We are sorry all the snow has gone away, because we were having a good itme.

Mrs. Fraley went away Monday and has not come back yet' and Miss Hedgecock is our matron. And we like her fine and we miss Mrs. Fraley too.

I cannot think of very much news so "Good-by"

And Everywhere That Mary Went

Teacher—"Jane, can you tell me who succeeded Edward VI?"

Jane—"Mary."

Teacher—"Now, Lucy, who followed Mary?"

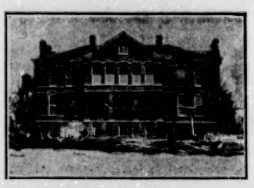
Lucy—"Mary's little lamb."— The Baptist.

We see, by the way, that "Red" Kelly, of the Synod Cottage bunch, has not molested "Tag-a-long," the matron's newly acquired mascot for this bunch of youngsters.

"Red" spoke once in reference to it as though he held this canine in an unseeming attitude.

We are always hearing something new, something about folks, and this and that—but our failing is unbelief until we see with the human eye. What we started to say was we heard that Mrs. Ketchie "has a car." As the rural correspondent of the weekly newspaper use to say, in reference to items of this kind, in his neighborhood: "John Brown has a new rubber-tired buggy. Look out, girls." Now the tables have been turned, and the other fellow has to look out. "Fifteen per, is the limit," Mrs. Ketchie.

LEES' COTTAGE



Well, friends, here we are at last. We are situated at a remote corner of the campus, where the athletics usually take place. It has been some time since you've heard from down our way, but since Christmas season has "happened" and two snows have drifted our way—who could take the time to dig up news?

With winter's freaks of snow in our midst, our sleds were put to good advantage, and a good time had. But its melted now, and the grass on our lawns beginning to grow, and it keeps Mrs. Harlow busy telling the boys to keep off.

We have a bunny rabbit down at our cottage. His name is "George Ayers." He can run so fast, that when he starts he falls down.

Mrs. Bailey left our cottage the first of the month, to go back to Synods. Mrs. Southerland came in her place. We are sorry to lose Mrs. Bailey, but herewith extend a hearty welcome to Mrs. Southerland.

Lee West and Ned McKay, members of our family, and a part of the Barium Messenger printshop gang, have been raving so much here of late about a hicky they call "linotype" that's arrived at the printshop, that they alarm the whole bunch at night talking in their sleep about it.

Lee West, P. D.

BABY COTTAGE

Hello Friends! How's everybody? We surely were glad to see the snow We have all been enjoying it and are sorry it is melting.

John Cole McCrimmon's mother paid him a soht visit Sunday. We were very glad to have her, and hope she will come again soon.

Mrs. Kerr gave us some cups and towels. We sure were glad to get them. We are always glad to get such things.

We wish some kind friend would send us a victrola as we don't have any music at all.

At the table the other day Mrs. Simpson asked Walter where Mexico was. He immediately replied: "Down in the basement." (Meaning the map.)

"Sunshine" was told to say 'yes, mam.' She looked around a minute, and then said: "Where's the man?"

The other night John Cole was crying and kicking in bed. When asked what was wrong, he answered: "A bug is after me!"

Mr. Brown took the babies to ride the other day. They certainly did enjoy it.

Mrs. Ghigo had a visit from her daughter, Miss Anito Ghigo, who is in Mitchell College, and her son, Frances, a student in Davidson.

Wanted— By Ruby Pickler, a stenographer, as she is always dictating.

Also, by Elizabeth Bobbitt, the ability to vamp boys.

More news next time.

Letha Copeland.

INFIRMARY

Well folks, more snow! How surprised we were to wake up Monday morning and find the ground covered with snow again. But, oh my, how many patients will it bring in to us?

We have a good many patients now but most of them just have bad colds and are not very sick.

We certainly are having a musical time these days playing on our new victrola, as we play so much we soon get all our patients well because they all want to get to the victrola.

Miss Brown had a visit from her sister, Mrs. Templeton, the other day. She did not stay very long, but we were al real glad to see her and hope she will come again.

The girls down here were all surprised the other day when Mr. Johnston brought us some reading lamps, one for each girl's room, and we are doing some reading now. We certainly do appreciate this kind gift.

Well as time is scarce and news is on the "quietus" we will close for this time.